

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 366

By Cooper

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Mr. Herb M. Fanning of
Lynchburg.

WHEREAS, it was with great sadness and a profound sense of loss that the members of this General Assembly and the citizens of our state learned of the death of Mr. Herb Fanning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fanning was a distinguished citizen of the state of Tennessee who was very dedicated to his profession, community and family; and

WHEREAS, born December 14, 1904, in Lynchburg, Herb Fanning left Tennessee and headed West at age 15; he returned to Tennessee in 1932 and farmed until the late 1930s, when he worked as a PMA fieldman for the Department of Agriculture; and

WHEREAS, for more than 22 years Mr. Fanning was employed by the Jack Daniel Distillery, and during his storied tenure there he was involved in all phases of the distilling operation; and

WHEREAS, one of Lynchburg's most illustrious and beloved citizens, he appeared in numerous Jack Daniel advertisements; his recollections and reflections on life in Lynchburg were featured in the 1997 Tennessee Squire Calendar; and

WHEREAS, widely respected and admired by his friends and peers alike, Herb Fanning was known as a kind and generous man whose understated sense of humor was legendary; and

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WHEREAS, Herb Fanning was an important part of the Jack Daniel Distillery, and the legacy he leaves behind will be long remembered and treasured by friends and associates for many years to come; and

WHEREAS, he contributed his time and immeasurable talents as a member of the Masonic Lodge, 32nd degree; the Lynchburg Rotary Club, of which he faithfully served as secretary, vice-president and president; and the Tennessee Squire Association; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Fanning enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, the former Nell Holt; and was the proud parent of one son, Mr. Dale Fanning; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to remember the exemplary life of this fine Tennessean; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE-HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Mr. Herb Fanning, remembering with admiration his exemplary character and many selfless contributions to the Lynchburg community.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Mr. Fanning.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.